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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-referenced application, submitted herewith, before examination as indicated.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert after the title,

--This application is a division of application Serial No. 08/853,870, filed May 9, 1997, the disclosure of which is incorporated by reference herein.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-6, and 8-20.

Please add the following new claims:

--21. (New) The method of claim 7, said amount of an interferon being greater than about 20 x 10<sup>6</sup> IU of interferon for a 70 kg human.

22. (New) The method of claim 7, in which the effective dose of interferon is administered in a single dose.